



# Under Pressure

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ILL: IF YOU EVER FIND A LEADER WHO ACTS LIKE A VICTIM AND BLAMES OTHERS...

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HOW OFTEN HAVE WE SEEN THIS? • ILL: ME PRESSURE TO BLAME JOE ROGAN, VERBAL VIOLENCE

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Why were David and Saul so different?

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